

**United States Environmental Protection Agency
Criminal Investigation Division
Investigative Activity Report**

Case Number

0506-0026

Case Title:

Ferguson Enterprises Inc.

Reporting Office:

Detroit, MI, Resident Office

Subject of Report:

Execution of a federal search warrant at 300 Riverfront Drive, Unit 5I,
Detroit

Activity Date:

June 13, 2013

Reporting Official and Date:

(b)(6), (b)(7)(C)

Acting Assistant Special Agent in Charge

27-JUN-2013, Signed by (b)(6), (b)(7)(C)

Approving Official and Date:

(b)(6), (b)(7)(C)

Special Agent in Charge

26-JUL-2013, Approved by (b)(6), (b)(7)(C)

SYNOPSIS

On June 13, 2013, U.S. EPA CID Special Agents (b)(6), (b)(7)(C) and (b)(6), (b)(7)(C) participated in the execution of a federal search warrant at the residence of (b)(6), (b)(7)(C) (a.k.a. (b)(6), (b)(7)(C) and (b)(6), (b)(7)(C) at (b)(6), (b)(7)(C) Detroit, Michigan.

DETAILS

On June 13, 2013, U.S. EPA CID Special Agents (b)(6), (b)(7)(C) and (b)(6), (b)(7)(C) participated in the execution of a federal search warrant at the residence of (b)(6), (b)(7)(C) (a.k.a. (b)(6), (b)(7)(C)) and (b)(6), (b)(7)(C) at (b)(6), (b)(7)(C), Detroit, Michigan. SA (b)(6), (b)(7)(C) was the affiant for the warrant (see attached) which was executed to locate evidence that (b)(6), (b)(7)(C) along with (b)(6), (b)(7)(C) and (b)(6), (b)(7)(C) (b)(6), (b)(7)(C), had been conspiring to obstruct the proceedings of the court in (b)(6), (b)(7)(C) Racketeering case.

Agents from the Federal Bureau of Investigations and U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development also participated in the warrant.

During the execution of the warrant, SA (b)(6), (b)(7)(C) telephonically contacted (b)(6), (b)(7)(C) by calling (b)(6), (b)(7)(C). SA (b)(6), (b)(7)(C) was aware that the subscriber for this phone is GB Utilities, for which (b)(6), (b)(7)(C) is the registered agent. When (b)(6), (b)(7)(C) answered the phone SA (b)(6), (b)(7)(C) asked if (b)(6), (b)(7)(C) was (b)(6), (b)(7)(C). (b)(6), (b)(7)(C) replied yes. SA (b)(6), (b)(7)(C) then identified herself and explained that they were currently executing a search warrant at (b)(6), (b)(7)(C) residence, which SA (b)(6), (b)(7)(C) identified as the Riverfront condo. SA (b)(6), (b)(7)(C) also explained that the warrant authorized the agents to seize certain items, including cell phones, and that the agents had located several. SA (b)(6), (b)(7)(C) then asked if (b)(6), (b)(7)(C) could come to the condo so SA (b)(6), (b)(7)(C) could further explain why the warrant was being executed and to have (b)(6), (b)(7)(C) assist the agents in identifying the items to be seized. (b)(6), (b)(7)(C) commented "Oh you are there now?" to which SA (b)(6), (b)(7)(C) replied yes. (b)(6), (b)(7)(C) then said (b)(6), (b)(7)(C) was going to call (b)(6), (b)(7)(C) attorney and would get back with SA (b)(6), (b)(7)(C). SA (b)(6), (b)(7)(C) stated that was fine and asked who (b)(6), (b)(7)(C) attorney was. (b)(6), (b)(7)(C) replied (b)(6), (b)(7)(C).

SA (b)(6), (b)(7)(C) then informed (b)(6), (b)(7)(C) that (b)(6), (b)(7)(C) was a target of this investigation which involved allegations that (b)(6), (b)(7)(C) along with (b)(6), (b)(7)(C) and (b)(6), (b)(7)(C) were conspiring to hide (b)(6), (b)(7)(C) assets. SA (b)(6), (b)(7)(C) went on to explain that given this status, (b)(6), (b)(7)(C) would have a conflict of interest in representing both (b)(6), (b)(7)(C) and (b)(6), (b)(7)(C). SA (b)(6), (b)(7)(C) advised that it would be in (b)(6), (b)(7)(C) own best interest to obtain separate legal counsel than (b)(6), (b)(7)(C), but that it was up to (b)(6), (b)(7)(C) to decide what to do. SA (b)(6), (b)(7)(C) then told (b)(6), (b)(7)(C) to go ahead and call (b)(6), (b)(7)(C).

(b)(6),
(b)(7)(C)

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regarding the search and then decide how to proceed. (b)(6), (b)(7)(C) replied that (b)(6), (b)(7)(C) would call (b)(6), (b)(7)(C) and get back with SA (b)(6), (b)(7)(C). SA (b)(6), (b)(7)(C) then provided (b)(6), (b)(7)(C) with (b)(6), (b)(7)(C) cell phone number and the conversation concluded.

SA (b)(6), (b)(7)(C) was later contacted on (b)(6), (b)(7)(C) cell phone by attorney (b)(6), (b)(7)(C) who explained that (b)(6), (b)(7)(C) would be representing (b)(6), (b)(7)(C) in this matter. (b)(6), (b)(7)(C) indicated that (b)(6), (b)(7)(C) had only spoken to (b)(6), (b)(7)(C) over the phone and was hoping to meet with (b)(6), (b)(7)(C) in person later in the day. SA (b)(6), (b)(7)(C) explained that there were several cell phones at the residence which the agents were attempting to determine the owners of as the warrant authorized the search and seizure of certain ones. SA (b)(6), (b)(7)(C) also informed (b)(6), (b)(7)(C) that the agents had located a safe which had a key pad combination. (b)(6), (b)(7)(C) agreed to inquire with (b)(6), (b)(7)(C) as to the combination for the safe and the owners of the phones.

(b)(6), (b)(7)(C) called SA (b)(6), (b)(7)(C) back a short while later and explained that (b)(6), (b)(7)(C) did not know the combination of the safe and that the agents should do what they needed to do in regards to the warrant. (b)(6), (b)(7)(C) acknowledged that (b)(6), (b)(7)(C) had met with (b)(6), (b)(7)(C) client just prior to (b)(6), (b)(7)(C) calling SA (b)(6), (b)(7)(C). SA (b)(6), (b)(7)(C) informed (b)(6), (b)(7)(C) that they would be concluding the search shortly.

SA (b)(6), (b)(7)(C) FBI, left a copy of the search warrant and inventory on a dining table in the living room of the residence prior to the agents departing.

SA (b)(6), (b)(7)(C) obtained a supplemental search warrant on the same day authorizing the search of lap top computers which were seized during the search of (b)(6), (b)(7)(C) condo. (See Attached)

Also on this date, agents from the FBI executed a search warrant for the contents of a safe deposit box at a Bank of America branch in Detroit which was currently rented by (b)(6), (b)(7)(C). (See Attached)

ATTACHMENT

Riverfront Condo search warrant

(b)(6), (b)(7)(C) Safe Deposit Box Search Warrant

(b)(6), (b)(7)(C) Supplemental search warrant: Computers